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Dear Dr.Lederberg:

As I am working with some mutants of <u>Bacillus</u> subtilis with a nitrate and nitrite reduction process different from the normal pattern of this microorganism, I am interested to repeat the experiencies with <u>Escherischia coli</u>, better known from a genetical viewpoint. As consecuence, I am asking you for, if possible, the mutants of the K-12 strain which you consider the best for studying that problem.

Unfortunately, these mutants can not be obtained in my country, as far as I know and I am obliged to disturb you.

Any comment or suggestion about this theme, will be well accepted

Thanking you your kindness, I remain,

Yours very truly

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(Leceros)

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